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Attention: Rachel Falsetti, Transportation Programming, MS-82

SUBJECT: FY 2004/05 to 2005/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program; SBCAG
Highway and Transit FTIP Amendment #17

Dear Mr. Kempton:

We have completed our review of the Santa Barbara Association of Governments (SBCAG) 2004/05 to 2004/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment #17, as requested by your letter of January 17, 2006.

We find SBCAG's FTIP Amendment #17 was developed based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 & 135, 49 USC 5303-5305, and 23 CFR 450. California Department of Transportation assures this amendment has met the financial constraint requirements included in our transportation planning regulations, i.e. 23 CFR 450.324(e).

As of June 15, 2005, SBCAG is no longer a non-attainment area, and thereby is no longer subject to the air quality conformity requirements of 40 CFR parts 51 and 93.

This letter constitutes approval of this amendment in accordance with the July 15, 2004, *Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX*. The SBCAG FTIP Amendment #17 is approved and included into California's 2004/05-06/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP), with the understanding the eligibility of individual projects is subject to the applicant's satisfaction of all FTA and FHWA administrative requirements.

This approval is based on the California Department of Transportation's assurance the funding for this amendment does not adversely impact the FSTIP Financial Plan.



If you have any questions regarding this determination, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Grace S. Balmir of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Office at (213) 202-3953 or Ms. Donna Turchie of the FTA at (415) 744-2737.

Sincerely,

/s/ Leslie Rogers

Leslie Rogers
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mayela Fong', written in a cursive style.

For
Gene K. Fong
Division Administrator
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